REMARKS

Claims 13 to 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Berlin (U.S. 6,104,082) in view of Galloway (EP 633,608). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

In view of the Declaration attached hereto, the Berlin reference is not available under section 103(a) of the Patent Laws. Accordingly, the rejection is without merit.

Claims 17 to 20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Berlin in view of Galloway, further in view of Lytle (U.S. 5,674,780). The rejection is respectfully traversed since Berlin is not available as a reference for reasons noted above.

In view of the above remarks, favorable reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

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